

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1101

By Beavers

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Bonnie Hoover Patterson on her selection as the Upper Cumberland District Teacher of the Year.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those outstanding teachers who have devoted their careers to providing the highest quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, Bonnie Hoover Patterson is one such estimable educator who has distinguished herself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, a teacher at Cannon County High School, Mrs. Patterson was recently selected as the Upper Cumberland District Teacher of the Year, an honor most befitting her outstanding tenure as a teacher, as it recognizes the positive influence she has had on so many young lives; and

WHEREAS, since working her way through college, Bonnie Patterson has served with acumen and alacrity as a teacher in the Cannon County School System for twenty-eight exemplary years, commencing her teaching career in 1981 at Woodland Elementary School; she also taught at Woodbury Grammar School before transferring to Cannon County High School in 1995; and

WHEREAS, the daughter of the late Bonnie and Mildred Dean Hoover, Mrs. Patterson became a teacher as a way to honor her parents, both of whom received little formal education; and

WHEREAS, Bonnie Patterson is an extremely talented and compassionate educator who works assiduously to motivate her students to reach their full potential, both as scholars and as citizens; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Patterson truly serves as an inspiration to her colleagues and students alike, and her friendship and counsel are highly valued by those who are fortunate to know her; and

WHEREAS, her many professional achievements and personal ordeals aside, Mrs. Patterson is fortunate to share both love and companionship with her husband of twenty-seven years, Eddie Patterson, and is the proud mother of Megan, Clint, and Kaitlin; and

WHEREAS, Bonnie Patterson truly epitomizes the ideal of the dedicated teacher who is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Bonnie Hoover Patterson of Cannon County High School on being chosen as the Upper Cumberland District Teacher of the Year, commend her exceptional service to the children of Tennessee, salute her professional expertise and personal excellence, and wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.